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For: MONEY TRANSFER  
EVALUATION SYSTEMS AND  
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.102(d), Applicants hereby petition to make the  
aforementioned application special on grounds that the application discloses inventions relating  
to counter-terrorism. More particularly, various embodiments disclosed in the application  
include systems and methods used to detect suspicious activities occurring in relation to money  
transfers. Such suspicious activities include detection of money transfers such as those  
identified in the wake of the September 11, 2001 attacks.

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